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1.—The business of the above Bank will be conducted by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, on their premises in Hougkong. Business hours on week-days, 10 to 3: Saturdays, 10

2.—The Assets of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation will form a direct security for the renay. ment of sums deposited in the above

3.—Sums less than \$1, or more than \$250 at one time will not be received. No depositor may deposit more than \$1,500 in any one year. 1.—Deposits may be on behalf of relations.

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obtained at the Bank or at the Post Office. When the form is presented with ten clean stamps the depositor will be credited one dollar. 6.—Depositors in the Savings' Bank having \$100 or more at their credit may at their option transfer the same to the

Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation on fixed deposit for 12 months at 5 per cent. per annum interest. -Deposits may be forwarded from the Ports by means of clean Hongkong Postage Stamps of any values. 8.—Interest at the rate of 32 per cent. per annum will be allowed to depositors on their daily balances.

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gistered Letters containing Stamps or other Remittances, and generally, correspondence as to the business of the Bank will, if marked On Hongkong Savings' Bank Business, be forwarded free of Postage or Registration Fees by the various British Post Offices in Hongkong and Chins. 11.-Withdrawals may be made on demand

but the personal attendance of the depositor or his duly appointed agent and the production of his Pass-Book 2.—All documents connected business of the Savings' Bank are

exempt from stamp duty. For the HONGKONG & SHANGHAT BANKING CORPOBATION,

T. JACKSON, Ohief Manager.

For the

Hongkong, April 25, 1884. 71TH Reference to the above, BUSI Y NESS will be Commenced on the er May. 1884.

HONGRONG & SHARGHAT BANKING CORPORATION. T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

Bank.

THE NEW ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION, LIMITED. (Incorporated in London on 18th July, 1884, under the Compaines Acts 1862, to 1883.)

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Current Accounts kepts on Terms which may be learnt on application. J. MELVILLE MATSON,

Manager. Hongkong, September 15, 1884.

Notice of Firm.

NOTICE.

WE Beg to give Notice, that We intend to Open a BRANCH of our Firm, as Public TEA INSPECTORS and COM coming Tea-Season.

MARGESSON & Co. Macao, 24th November, 1884.

Intimations.

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THIS extensive and well-appointed establishment, situated in one of the most central and airy positions in the Colony and commanding a splendid view of almost the entire harbour and within five minutes' walk of the principal Government Offices (including the Post Office), Banks, &c., has recently been much enlarged and improved and is now one of the principal Hotels in the place. The Rooms are spacious, well rentilated and have just been refurnished in a most comfortable and handsome manner. suited to the requirements of the Far

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NOTICE.

ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION IN LIQUIDATION.

A LL HOLDERS of NOTES of the ORIENTAL BANK CORPORA-TION (HONGKONG BRANCH), are hereby requested to present them to the Liquida-TORS of the Bank, when they will be given in Exchange, a certificate of the value of the Notes deposited. HOLDERS of NOTES will be required to Furnish to the Liquidators of the Bank, a schedule in duplicate, giving the date of Issue, Number and Amount of each Note

produced. Forms of Schedule may be had on application at the OFFICE of the ORIENTAL BANK Corroration, Queen's Road, Hongkong.

For the OFFICIAL LIQUIDATOR OF THE OBTENTAL BANK CORPORATION, By his Attorneys, J MELVILLE MATSON, H. HOWARD TAYLOR.

Hongkong, August 2, 1884.

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Year's Parcel contains ELECTRICAL and MECHANICAL TOYS; also a Splendid Assortment of NOVELTIES:—

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MECHANICAL CLOWN and MICE. CIROUS RIDER. RACE GAMES. SMOKING MAN. DANCING FIGURES. Chicken. Speaking Dolls. Man and Pro. GUINEA PIG. JOCKEY and HORSE. Monkey and Dog. COCK FIGHT.

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Superfine BLACK CLOTH DRESS SUITS.

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Baxter's Celebrated Barley Breed WHISKY, -872 per Case of 1 doz. GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co. Hongkong, July 18, 1884.

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Apply to DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co. Hongkong, November 28, 1884.

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FOR NAGASAKI The Steamship Cassandra. Captain 'H. Lindemann, will be despatched for the above Port on TUESDAY, the 2nd December, at 2 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to SIEMSSEN & Co., Agents. Hongkong, November 28, 1884.

FOR YOKOHAMA AND HIOGO. The Steamship The Steamsinp

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will leave for the above

Ports on THURSDAY,

the 4th December. For Freight or Passage, apply to GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,

Agents. Hongkong, November 28, 1884. STEAM TO BOMBAY VIA STRAITS. The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship

will leave for the above place on SATURDAY, 6th December, at A. McIVER. Superintendent.

Hongkong, November 27, 1884. UNION LINE.

VIA SUEZ CANAL. The Steamship Cascavedia. Captain France, will be despatched for the above Ports on MONDAY, the 8th December next at 5 p.m.

FOR HAVRE AND HAMBURG.

For Freight or Passage, apply to RUSSELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, November 5, 1884. SHIRE LINE OF STEAMERS. FOR YOKOHAMA AND HIOGO.

The Steamship Cardiganshire. COURTNEY, Commander, expected here on or about the 1st Proximo, will have immediate despatch for the above Ports.

For Freight or Passage, apply to ADAMSON, BELL & Co., Hongkong, November 24, 1884. NETHERLANDS INDIA STEAM

NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED

FOR BATAVIA, SAMARANG AND SOURABAYA, VIA SAIGON AND SINGAPORE. The Co.'s Steamship Captain Orentes, will be despatched as above on

or about the 6th of December. For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,

UNION LINE.

Hongkong, November 28, 1884.

FOR YOKOHAMA AND HIOGO. The Steamship Cambodia, Capt. WILDGOOSE, due on or about the 5th December next, will have immediate despatch for H N M (in tria.), Nos. 6, 9,=2 cases

RUSSELL & Co., Hongkong, November 29, 1884. FOR HAVRE AND HAMBURG.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

VIA SÚEZ VANAL. The Steamship Hesperia,
Captain Wagnes, will be
despatched for the above Ports on or about the 10th Prorimo. For Freight or Passage, apply to SIEMESEN & Co.,

Hongkong, November 6, 1884.

Agenta.

Shipping.

Steamers: CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,

LIMITED. FOR PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN,

TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY,

MELBOURNE, &c. The Steamship Woosung. Captain Hunr, will be despatched for the above mentioned Ports on FRIDAY, the 12th December, 1884, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE. Hongkong, November 18, 1884.

Sailing Vessels.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO The 3/3 L.1.1. British Ship Honolulu,

EDGETT, Master, will load here
for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, October 27, 1884. FOR VICTORIA, BRITISH COLUMBIA. The 3/3 L.1.1. British Barque Dodo, Master, will load here for the above Pert, and will

For Freight, apply to

have quick despatch. For Freight, apply to RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, November 26, 1884.

> FOR HONOLULU. The American Barque

BARSTOW, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch. For Freight, apply to RUSSELL & Co.

Hongkong, November 4, 1884. FOR NEW YORK. The 3/3 L.1.1. American Ship Wandering Jew,

TALPEY, Master, will load here
for the above Port, and will

have quick despatch. For Freight, apply to RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, October 25, 1884,

Notices to Consignees. FROM HAMBURG, PENANG AND

SINGAPORE, THE Steamship Electra, Captain F. Nager, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the Undersigned, whence and/or from the Wharves or Boats delivery may be

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 1 p.m. To-DAY. Cargo remaining undelivered after the 29th Instant will be subject to rent. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left our Godowns. No Fire Insurance has been effected.

SIEMSSEN & Co., Hongkong, November 24, 1884. BEN LINE OF STEAMERS

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES. FROM ANTWERP, LONDON AND

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THE S.S. Benarty, Capt. LE BOUTHLIER, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods—with the exception of Opium -are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Undersigned, at Wanchai, whence and/or from the Wharves or Boats delivery may be obtained. Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless notice to the contrary be given before 4 p.m. To-DAY, the 25th Instant No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining after the 5th December will be subject to rent. All Claims must be sent into us before 4 p.m. of 5th December, or

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Hongkong, November 25, 1884. COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

they will not be recognized.

MARITIMES. NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

MONSIGNEES of the following Cargo Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery. This Cargo has been landed and stored at their risk and expense. No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Earthenware, &c., from London. Ex Oxus, HNM (in tris.), Nos. 4/5=2 cases Hardware, from London. G. DE CHAMPEAUX,

Ex Djemnah.

Hongkung, September 29, 1884, 1649 WILLIAM DOLAN SAIL-MAKER & SHIP-CHANDLER,

22, PRAYA ORNTRAL,

COTTON DUCKS, HEMP CANVAS, MANILA ROPE, AMERICAN OAKUM, LIFE BUOYS, CORK JACKETS, da., da., do.

Hongkong, May 1, 1882,

Call and Europe.

Tuesday, December 9 :--

9 p.m. - Concert at the City Hall.

MEMOS. FOR TO-MOKROW.

Noon. French Mail leaves for Ports of

2 p.m. - Cassandra leaves for Nagasaki.

Yokohama and San Francisco.

3 p.m. -P. M. S. Co.'s Steamerleaves for

Shipping.



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Potted SAUSAGE and Sausage MEAT. Stuffed PEPPERS. Assorted SOUPS. Richardson & Robbin's Celebrated Potted MEATS.

Lunch HAM. Lambs' TONGUES. Clam CHOWDER. Fresh OREGON SALMON. Dried APPLES. TOMATOES. BUCCOTASH. Maple SYRUP. Golden-SYRUP Cracked WHEAT. HOMINY.

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FAIRBANKS' SCALES.

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CLARETS— CHATEAU MARGAUX. CHATEAU LA TOUR, pints & quarts 1**BES. GRAV**ES. BREAKFAST CLARET, "

SHERRIES & PORT-BACCONE'S MANZANILLA & AMON TILLADO. SACCONE'S OLD INVALID PORT HUNT'S PORT.

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Mails.

NOTICE. COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS. STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA; COLOMBO, PONDICHERRY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, MEDITERRANEAN AND BLACK

SEA PORTS. NAPLES. MARSEILLES, AND PORTS OF BRAZIL, AND LA PLATA; BORDEAUX, LE HAVRE, DUNKIRK,

LONDON AND ANTWERP. ON TUESDAY, the 2nd December. 1884, at Noon, the Company's

S.S. IRAOUADDY, Commandant MACE, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port for the above places. Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and ac-

cepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe. Shipping Orders will be granted until Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m., Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m. on the 1st December, 1884. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at

the Agency's Office.) Contents and value of Packages are re-For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

Hongkong, November 20, 1884.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,

U. S. MAIL LINE. PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUCHING AT YOROHAMA, AND SAN FRANCISCO.

THE U. S. Mail Steamship CITY OF PEKING will be despatched for San Francisco, via Yokohama, on TUES-DAY, the 2nd December, at 3 p.m., taking Passengers and Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe. Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, via Overland Railways, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's and

connecting Steamers. Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers. RETURN PASSAGES. - Passengers, who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (or vice versa) within six months, will be allowed a discount of 20 % from Return Fare; if re-embarking within one year, an allowance of 10 % will be made from Return Fare. Pre-Paid Return Passage Orders, available for one year, will be issued at a Discount of 25 % from Return Fare. These allowances do not apply to through fares from China and Sapan to

Freight will be received on board until p.m. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the office until 5 p.m., same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required. Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to ports beyond San Francisco should be sent to the Company's Offices in Scaled Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 50a, Queen's Road Central. F. E. FOSTER,

Agent.

Destination.

Batavia, &c., via Saigon.....

Havre, &c., via Suez Canal.

Havre, &c., via Suez Canal

Manila, via Amoy.....

Yokohama and Hiogo.....

INSURANCES

North-China Insurance Company, Limited ...

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STEAM COMPANIES.

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HK, and China Gas Company, Limited ... f

Hongkong Hotel Co., Lt., 3,000 sha issued

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China Traders' Insurance Company, Limited ... 24,000 8 83.33 \$

Chinese Insurance Company, Limited 1,500 \$ 1,000 \$ 200 \$

Canton Insurance Office Company, Limited ... 10,000 \$

China Fire Insurance Company, Limited |20,000|3 ..

HK. C. and M. Steamboat Co., Limited 8,000 \$

China and Manila S. S. Company, Limited ... 3,500 \$

Hongkong & Whampos Dock Co., Limited... 10,000 \$

China Sugar Company, Limited 9,000 8

Selangore Tin Mining Co., Lt. of Shanghai... 2,500\$

Hongkong Rope Manufactory Co., Limited. 3.000 8

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1878..... 3, 699 TL

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HALL,

HONGKONG.

CIGNORA AND SIGNOR V. have the honour to announce that they will give GRAND CONCERT

> CITY HALL, TUESDAY, the 9th December.

ST. ANDREW'S HALL,

Under the distinguished Patronage and the Presence of His Excellency SIR GEORGE FERGUSON BOWEN, G.C.M.G., on which occasion Several

LADIES & GENTLEMEN AMATEURS will kindly assist. Programme and full Particulars will appear in a future Issue.

Tickets may be had at Messis. Lane, CRAWFORD & Co. B. Hongkong, November 29, 1884.

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FOR SALE at Messrs. Kelly & Waish's, W. BREWER'S, and LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.'s, Hongkong; and at Messrs. TRUBNER & Co.'s, London. Hongkong, January 23, 1884.

Not Responsible for Debts.

either the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in Honghong Harbour:-

ALMATIA, American 3-in. schooner, Capt. G. Lapham.—Birley, Dalrymple & Co. Angos, British brig, Captain Thomson.-Pustau & Co. IMPORTER, American barque, Capt. John

Wessels.—Melchers & Co. Iso, German barque, Captain G. Höckel mann. - Wieler & Co. LIVINGSTONE, German barque, Capt. H. Stoffens.-Wieler & Co. MARY STEWART, British barque, Capt. G. C. Thompson.—Master. MIAKO, British barque, Capt. Contance.

-Gibb, Livingston & Co. MOUNT LEBANON, British steamer, Capt. D. Maxwell.—Borneo Company, Limited. Nanamo, British barque, Captain John Dodd.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co. SARAH HIGNETT, American ship, Capt. J.

Hongkong, November 19, 1884. 1953 Baas.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.

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THE STRAITS INSURANCE COM-PANY, LIMITED.

THE Undersigned having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company are prepared to GRANT POLICIES on MARINE RISKS to all parts of the World, at current

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co. Hongkong, November 5, 1883.

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THE Undersigned, AGENTS of the above Company, are authorized to Insure against FIRE at Current Rates. GILMAN & Co.

Hongkong, January 1 1882. THE LONDON ASSURANCE.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER OF His Majesty King George The First, THE Undersigned having been appointed.

Agents for the above Corporation are prepared to grant Insurances as follows: - Daylight. Marine Denartment. Policies at current rates, payable either here, in London, or at the principal Ports of India, China and Australia.

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£5,000 at reduced rates. HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co. Hongkong, July 25, 1872.

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If required, protection will be granted on first class Lives up to £1000 on a Single For Rates of Premiums, forms of proposals or any other information, apply to ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.,

Agents, Hongkong & Canton. Hongkong, January 4, 1867.

NOTICE. QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE COM-PANY.

THE Undersigned are prepared to accept Lisks on First Class Godowns at per cent, not premium per annum. NORTON & Co., Agents. Hongkong, May 19, 1881.

lo-day's Advertisements.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY. FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL. The Co.'s Steamship

Captain Power, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 6th December. For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Agents. Hongkong, December 1, 1884.

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Interest.

To-day's Advertisements.

TOTICE has been Received from the MILITARY AUTHORITIES, that the ANNUAL BATTERY PRACTICE will commence from Belcher's Battery on TUESDAY, the 2nd Instant, and will continue daily for the ROYAL ARTILLERY and Hongkong Volunteers, from 9 a.m. till p.m., until the 15th February, 1885. The range will be from the Battery to Chunghae Rock.

By Command, W. H. MARSH. Colonial Secretary.

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE, Hongkong, December 1, 1884. DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY

LIMITED. FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW The Co.'s Steamship.

Captain PITMAN, will be despatched for the above Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 3rd Inst.,

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co., General Managers. Hongkong, December 1, 1884.

THE CHINA & MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED. FOR MANILA VIA AMOY.

The Co.'s Steamship Captain TALBOT, will despatched for the about

Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 3rd Instant at 5 p.m. For Freight or Passage, apply to RUSSELL & Co.,

General Managers. Hongkong, December 1, 1884. FOR SHANGHAL

Taking Cargo & Passengers at through rates for NINGPO, CHEFOO, TIENTSIN, NEWCHWANG, HANKOW and Ports on the YANGTSZE.) The Steamship Kroan -lee,

Captain Andrew, will be despatched for the above Port on THURSDAY, the 4th Instant, at For Freight or Passage, apply to

RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, December 1, 1884. FOR MANILA VIA AMOY.

The Spanish Steamer BLANCO, Master, will be despatched as above on THURSDAY NEXT, the 4th Instant, at 5 o'Clock p.m. For Freight or Passage, apply to

REMEDIOS & Co. Hongkong, December 1, 1884. FROM LONDON AND SINGAPORE.

ITHE S. S. Glenavon having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her and by the S. S. Grecian Monarch, from New York, are hereby informed that their Goods-with the exception of Opium-are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Undersigned, whence and/or from the Wharves or Boats delivery may be obtained. Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon To-DAY.

Cargo remaining undelivered after the 7th Instant will be subject to rent No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Hongkong, December 1, 1884. SHIPPING. ARRIVALS. November 29, 1884 :--

Anton, German steamer, 396, E. Acreboe Hollow November 27, General -- WIELER November 30:-Fidelia, German steamer, 855, H. Brock, Hollow November 29, General.—WIELER & Co.

Anchises, British steamer, 1,304, C Jackson, Shanghai November 22, and Swatow 29. General. -Buttervield & Swife. Amoy, British steamer, 814, D'Egville, Newchwang November 26, General.-Siemssen & Co.

Natal, French steamer, 2,455, Poydenot, Marseilles October-26, Naples, Port Said 31. Suez November 2, Aden 7, Colombo 15, Singapore 22, and Saigon 26, Mails and General. - MESSACERIES MARITIMES. Namon, British steamer, 862, Geo. D.

Pitman, Foochow November 25, Amoy 26, and Swatow 29. General.—DougLAS STEAM SHIP Co. Kwongsang, British steamer, 1,000, W H. Jackson, Shanghai November 27, Gene-Tal - JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Yangteze, British steamer, from Wham-

Fuskun, American steamer, from Wham-December 1:-Fly, British gun-vessel, 600, J. Hope Formosa (Anping) November 28. Zufiro. British steamer, 675, Talbot, Manila November 29, General.—Russell & Propontis, British steamer, 1,387, Hea-

sley, Nagasaki November, 25, Coals. ARNHOLD, KLIBERG & Co. Khiva, British steamer, 1,419 F. Speck, Bombay November 9, and Singapore, General.-P. & O. S. N. Co. Glekaron, British stenmer, 1,036, R. A. Donaldson, London October 11, and Singa-Dore November 19, General JIRDINE, MATHESON & Co. Lide British steamer, 620, Leilch, Bangkok November 10, Rice - Hop.

Ingraban, German ateamer, 895, T. B.

Massmann, Nagasaki November 26, General -M. B. M. S. S. Co. DEPARTURES. November 29 :--Diamonte, for Amoy. November 30:-Darie for Wharopoa. Grenhound, for Hothow. Nicova, for Singapore, Tha'es, for Haiphong. Knownstring, for Coast Ports. Bellowa, for Whampon. Curação, British corvette, for Singapora Olympia, for Wisampoa-

Amoy, for Whampon.

Elsa, for Whampon,

Hiram Emery, for Manila. Iphigenia, for Bangkok. Yangisze, for Shanghai. Tanais, for Yokohama. Fushun, for Shanghai. Kuongsang, for Whampon! Amatista, for Holhow.

Per Anton, from Heihow, 68 Chinese. Por Fidelio, from Hoihow, 5 Chinese. Per Anchies, from Shanghai and Swatow Mr Basneto and family, and 350 Chinese. Per Natal, for Hongkong : from Marseitles, Messrs Khulmann, Ceus and Wernor; from Saigon, Messrs Enonye, Moro Oka and Indosh, Rev. Hery, Sister Electa, and 3 Chinese. For Yokohama : from Marseilles, Mesers O. Illies and Asada; from Suez, Mr Nicolovvich; from Saigon, Sisters Eulalie and Augustine.

Por Kwongsang, from Shanghai, Messrs Atkinson, Jones and Robinson, and 20 Per Zafiro. from Manila, Mr J. Coelyer and two servants; and 33 Chinese. Per Glenavon, for Hongkong : from Lon-don, Mrs M. Mansfield, child and amah,

Mrs F. Lewis and maid, Mr and Mrs W. Mrs W. R. Loxley, Messra G. Eaves and Dealy, Rev. G. Chapman, Mrs E. Mitchell, Miss Mitchell, Rev Georgo Hormizd; from Singapore, 209 Chinese. For Shanghai: from London, Miss A. Ord, Rev. J. H. Morgan, Mr R. Forsyth, Mr and Mrs G. Couling and child, Mr J. Morgan, Rev. and Mrs A. Jones, Mr J. Ambrose, Herr Von der Moden, Messrs W., Barron, Conrad, Damski, Schunk and Wu Ping Shul.

Per Esmeralda, for Manila, Mr J. L. Houston, Dr. Ernst Strove, and Mr Salcedo. Per Kwangtung, for Swatow, Rev. and Mrs S. B. Partridge, and Miss Buzell. Per Diamante, for Amoy, 1 European, and 4 Chinese.

and o Chinese. Per Amatista, for Hoihow, 25 Chinese. Por Activ, for Yokohama, 5 Chinese. Per Fushien, for Shanghai, 2 Europeans, nd 50 Chinese.

Per Yangteze, for Shanghai, 1-European,

SHIPPING REPORTS. The British steamer Amoy reports: Had moderate Northerly and N.E. winds and fine weather.

The British steamor Namoa reports 2018 Left Foochow on the 25th inst., and Amoy on the 26th, experienced fresh monsoon and fine clear weather to Swatow ; left Swatow on the 29th, thence to port, light N.E. winds and fine weather. Steamers in Foochow, H.B.M.S. Sapphire. Steamers in Amoy, German gunboat Wasp, and Roshampton. Steamers in Swatow. Meefoo. Kung-pai, Hothow, Tientein, Taichiow, Rosslyn, Fokien and H. B.M.S., Esk. The British steamer Zafiro reports : Ex-

periouced strong to moderate monsoon with high sea; and strong current setting to The British steamer Lido reports: Had moderate rough and fine weather to Cape Padaran thence gale from the N.E. with high sea to Paracels, from there to port a fresh breeze with high sea.

POST OFFICE NOTICES. MAILS will close:-For NAGASAKI.-

Per Cassandra, at 1.30 p.m., on Tuesday the 2nd December. FOR AMOY AND MANILA -Per Zafiro, at 4.30 p.m., on Wednesday, the 3rd inst.

For STRAITS SETTLEMENTS .-Per Victoria, at 4.30 p.m., on Friday. the 5th Docember. For STRAITS AND HOMBAY. Per Khiva, at 5 p.m., on Friday, the

For NAGASAKI, KOBE, AND YOKO Per Tcheran, at 11.30 a.m., on Thursday the 11th December.

5 h December.

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET .--The French Contract Packet Iraquaddy Tamsui. will be despatched on TUESDAY United Kingdom, Europe, and places beyond, vid Naples; to Saigon, Straits Settlements, Batavia, Burmah, Ceylon, November the Australesian Colonies, Pondichery. Madras, Calcutta, Aden, Mauritius, Egypt, Malta, and Gibraltar.

the Mails, &c. MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET. The United States Mail Packet City Peking will be despatched on TUES DAY, the 2nd December, with Mails for Japan, San Francisco, the United

to usual hours will be observed in closing

States, Canada, Honolulu, Peru, &c., which will be closed as follows:--2,15 P.M. Registry ceases. 2.30 P.M. Post-Office closes, but Corre pondence may be posted on board the Postage until the time of departure.

MAILS BY THE BRITISH PACKET .-The British Contract Packet Resetta will be despatched on TUESDAY, the 9th Dec. with Mails for the United Kingdom, Europe, and countries be of the Volunteer corps who have all youd, via Brindisi; to the Straits Settlements, Batavia, Burmah, Ceylon, India Aden, Egypt, Malta, and Gibraltar. e usual hours will be observed in eleging

the Mails, &c.

HOURS OF CLOSING THE PRENCH MAIL The following hours are observed in closing Mails, &c., by the French Contract Day before departure (or Salurday if the de-

P.M. -- Money Order Office closes.

Post Office closes, except Night Box, which is always open out of Office hours. Day of departure,-A.M. Post Office opens. A.M. Registry of Letters ceases. Posting of all printed matter and patterns ceases.

11 A.M. - Mails closed, except for Late 11.10 A.M.-Letters may be posted with Late Fee of 10 cents until 11.30 a.m. - When the Post Office closes

Miscellaneous. 9 s.m. - Annual Battery Practice. General Memoranda. FRIDAY, December 5:-Goods per Benarty undelivered after this date subject to rent. SUNDAY, December 7:--Goods per Glenaros undelivered after this date subject to rent.

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BIRTH. At Shanghai, No. 10, Kiangse Road, the 24th November, the Wife of T. TOLLIDAY. M. Customs Service, of a Daughter.

The publication of this issue commenced at 7.00 p.m.

> TELEGRAMS FRANCE AND CHINA London, Nov. 29.

LOCAL AND GENERAL. PASSED CANAL: - Menelaus, Nov. Lucrtes, Pembrokeshire, and Mossilv Nov. 17

for this port on Sunday, the 30th ult., at 7 a.m., and may be expected to arrive here on or about Saturday, the 6th inst. The S. S. Cardiganshive left Singapore for

The S S Hector left Singapore for this port on the 27th ult.

The Calcutta steamers, with the eleventh sale's opium, left for Hongkong on the The Umon Line steamer Cambodia left Singapore for this port on the 29th

THE delivery of the French mail was begun at 8,30 yesterday morning.

port on the 29th ultimo.

the 2nd December, with Mails for the THE Russian ironclad Minin was expected to arrive at Nagasaki daily on the 22nd

> for this port yesterday (Sunday) at 7 a.m. THE Glengron has brought out a battery of eight 8-inch Howitzers, with a supply of shot and shell for these guns. She has also

> bound south would keep a look-out for the Belgian barque Mizabeth, reported by the On Saturday afternoon next those members

passed the 64 pr. and Howitzer drill

cutter a Island. H. M. S. - Rby, double-screw gun-vessel. Commander John Hope, arrived this morning from Anning. She brings no news from Formose. She has recently been cruising between Taiwan and Takao

THE French transport Shomrock arrived at Saigon on the 18th November from quin with two hundred wounded me board. A subscription was opened for t benefit of the woonded. The Shamrock w to leave for France on the 24th Nov.

corvette Velto at Saigon on the 17th Nov. 11.40 A.M. Late Letters may be posted The Volu requires a number of repairs on board the packet with Late to her engine, and was also to be docked

December 1 :--

Glenfruin, for Straits and London. Activ, for Yokohama

OLEARED Amigo, for Haiphong. Helene, for Chaico. Ancheses, for London.

PASSENGERS.

Per Namea, from Coast Ports, Capt. F. Ashton, and Mr Boyd, 3 Europeans, and 112 Chinese deck.

Avrton, 3 children and amah, Mr and

Per Khiva, from Singapore, 252 Chinese. Hongkong, June 1, 1876. Per Greyhound, for Hollow, 50 Chinese. Per Iphigenia, for Bangkok, 12 Chinese.

> The China Mail. HONGKONG, MONDAY, DECEMBER 1, 1884.

The Chamber of Deputies has voted wresolution to enforce the Tientain Treaty and has expressed its confidence in the Government.

next English Man, by the P. & O. Co.'s steamer Sulley, left Singaport

H. B. M.'s corvette Champion left Amoy on the 22nd November for Taiwanfoo and

The S. S. Wingsang left Singapore for this

THE Superintendent of the P. & O. Company informs us that the Sutter, with the next English mail on board, left Singapore

brought a quantity of ammunition and gun Mesens Melchers and Co. request us Packet with Late Fee of 10 cents extra state that they would be glad if steamers

> drill with the 9-inch, 12-ton guns on Ston is relieved by the gunboat Wanderer.

In announcing the arrival of the French

the Saigennais keys the Chinese surnamed this yessel the Phantom so Fee of 10 cents until time of

THE French transport Nice, which arrive at Saigon from Keelung on the 16th No vember, had two cases of cholerine o board According to the Saigennais th cases were not serious, but it was though prudent, on account of the sanitary state of Keeling, not to give the Nice free pratique once. She was accordingly put in quarantine.

ment and other items of our defence.

The annual bazaar of needlework and fancy goods, in connection with the society of St. Vincent de Paul, was held yesterday afternoon in the Hall of the Society in the Italian Mission House in Pottinger Street. The stalls were presided over by Mrs A. dos Remedios. Mrs Gonsalves, Mrs Rora and Mrs. Almeida, and were liberally patronised. Numbered prize tickets, THE PROSPECTS OF PEACE, 221 sold at ten cents each, caused consider- THE FOURNIER MEMORANDUM, able amusement to the younger visitors, and, slone, afforded a revenue of about \$100. There was also a refreshment stall. The musicians who kindly gave their services tended in no small degree to the general success. We are glad to hear that more than \$600 were realized.

A LIVELY encounter took place yesterday forenoon at the village of To-kwa Wan, in on the 25th Nov. British Kowloon, between a party of Police and a crowd of villagors. About eleven o'clock Sergeant Lau Shui and twelve lukongs, acting under instructions received of Kowloon district, surprised a party of gamblers, who were playing at 'Po-taz' in the village street. Several men were captured, but the gamblers and their friends made such a resolute stand against the lukongs, that those arrested escaped from custody, and the police were forced to retreat, badly bruised and out. Sticks, iron a time, the village was like a miniature 'Donnybrook.' The Sergeant received a blow on one ear with an iron bar, and one much as six persons. lukong was so severely cut about the head pector Thomson and a party of the men under his charge descended on the sleeping willage, about two c'clock this morning, been concerned in the assault. These were and remanded.

Chamber of Deputies has voted a resolution pressed its confidence in the Government. This is a rather strange announcement. The Chinese would no doubt be very glad to arrange terms of peace on the basis of the Tientain, or Fournier, Treaty or Convention, and would not require any forcing in the matter. That Treaty merely provided for the evacuation of Tonquin, the recognition of French rule there, and certain trading privileges across the borders for the French. On all these points the Chinese are no doubt willing to give way. What the Chinese object to, and what they are fighting about, is the French demand for an indemnity on account of the Langson affair. The Chinese contend they were not to blame for the attack upon Colonel Dugenne's column, and they will neither pay an indemnity, nor make any considerable compensation to France for that attack, which they say was brought about by the Colonel's impetuosity. It may be that France, having made reprisals against China for the Langson affair, is now willing to arrange terms of peace the basis of the Li-Fournier convention concluded at Tientsin, but recent telegrams from home have pointed to a very different position of affairs.

A TRIEGRAM received to-day states : The

Two seamen, who arrived here from Ma nils in the steamship Zafiro this morning. accuse the American Consul at that port of having unlawfully imprisoned them at Manils for eight days and shipping them to Hongkong. They say they belonged to the American ship Sacramento. About a fort. night ago, they, along with the other members of the crew, complained to the Captain of their food and drink being bad. The Captain thereupon caked them to go ashore to see the Consul. They went ashore, saw the Consul but were not allowed to marched off to gaoi. Here they were kept. masses and the Lords themselves. for eight days, when they were taken story of the men. How far it is true or effairs; and, 'if the men's story he true. some remonstrance ought to be addressed to the American Consul at Manila against his despatching to Hongkong men who must inevitably become beachcombers. If, on the other hand, the men have made false allegations, they can be dealt with according to law.

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THE steamer Greatham Hall, having broken down between the Tungsha and Kintoan Lightships, was towed into port at Shangha

THE S. S. Propontis. in entering the harbour at Nagasaki, about 6.30 p.m., on the 19th November, in charge of Pilot J.-U. Smith, had the misfortune to foul the from Inspector Thomson, who is in charge Russian man-of-war Skobeleff, carrying away her starboard awinging boom, and several iron stanchions, and doing sundry other slight damage.

INVESTIGATIONS concerning the effect of dif ferent forms of artificial illumination on the health show that the tallow candle is the most unwholesome agent and the electric light the bost. The incandescent electric bars and atones were freely used, and, for lamp produces only about one-thirteenth as much heat as the tallow candle, while it gives out no carbonic acid or water. One gas-jet in a room is said to vitiate the air as

that had to be sent to Hospital, where Hamburg, Oct. 21st :- The trade on the he now lies. As the police were able to river has continued in the same unsatisrecognise who their assailants were. Ins. factory state as before, and the lists o arrivals and departures are small arrivals from the Far East have been the Constanza, barque (Jacobs), from Rangoon, and Loochoo (Nelson), from Singapore: the and captured ten men identified as having departures have been the two steamers Breconshire (Dutton), for Singapore, and Castello (Chandler), for Penang. The berth charged at the Police Court this morning for the Far East is but insufficiently occupied at present. The weather is rainy, but rather warm yet, and favourable to agricul-

In accordance with the Parker Treaty. to enforce the Tientsin Treaty, and has ex- the Wenchow authorities have cleared away chapels: so that rebuilding may commence forthwith. They have also made some show of arresting the rioters, affording them some forty days to retire from the cares of public life. Considerable sympathy is felt for the sufferers—that is the incendiaries, who were moved to action against foreigners. because foreigners attacked their neighbours at Foochow. The populace was in no way hostile until hostilities were commenced by the French The military authorities have purchased a steam launch for communicating with the forts. - N.-C. D. News.

> THE Viceroy of Chihli is evidently not frightened by Captain Fournier's appeal either to his honour or to the point of his sword. That little piece of bluster on the part of the gallant Captain has, of course, only raised a laugh. But nothing could be prettier than the quarrel as it stands. The prompt telegram sent to us on behalf of Li Chungt'ang by his secretaries cannot fail to have very strong effect upon public opinion. which is already much interested in the controversy. It is, however, very deeply to be regretted that when the interview between Captain Fournier and the Viceroy took place the former came unaccompanied He has no witness to appeal to, while the Viceroy has two. -N.-C. D. News.

PHILADELPHIA, October 28th.—A Ledger New York special says: Intelligent observant Americans who have been spending the past summer in England and Scotland, and just returning home, speak of the political excitement we are having here as the mereest bagatelle compared with that which pre- 150 09' N., Long. 1140 24' 30" E., proceedvails there with reference to the Franchise bill and the attitude of the House of Lords. Our informants likewise believe there is lit tle doubt that when that bone of contention is out of the way, other democratic measures will be brought forward and pressed with equal vigor. The next battle cry of the Li beralain all probability will be that the Bishone will have to go. The day which witnesses their departure from the House of Lords in other words, the separation of the Church from the State, so carneally desired by many churchmen—will see the removal speak; and were, without being discharged, of the last barrier between the democratized

straight from the gaol on board the Amatista | Ir is notified in the Gazette that from the by an armed escort of twelve men. ()n ar- first day of January, 1885, the new electric rival here this morning they went to see time-ball by S. A. Varley is to be dropped the American Consulto ask for his assist- at Taim-sha-tsui by the Mean Time Clock and the accused stepped forward, and gave Toulon this day (24th) with a large quantity ance. The Consul refused to assist them, at the Observatory. The ball will be hoisted him a blow on the bridge of the nose, cut- of provisions, ammunition, and war half-mast at 12h, 55m. p.m. hoisted to the ting it. Deady said he interfered because | materials for Tonquin. The Paris begos top at 12h 57m, p.m. and dropped at 1h. 0m. the complainant had a knife in his hand. the Government to despatch 10,000 troops who, in turn, told them if the Consul did Os p.m. Hongkong civil time. Hongkong Complainant said he did not have a knife. to Tonquin and China-7,000 to General not assist them he could not. This is the civil time is henceforth counted from the His Worship said he found the accused had Briefe do l'Isle, and the remaining 3,000 to meridian of the Observatory, i.e., the meri- assaulted the complainant in a most un- Admiral Courbet. The Vinh Long left otherwise we cannot say. A little investi- transit instrument and through the middle | the option of ten days' imprisonment. The | quin. It will touch at Algiers and receive gation would disclose the true state of of the white meridian-mark erected, accord- fine was paid. ing to a triangulation by the Surveyor General, 11,354 feet south of the transit instrument on the side of the hill above Wantest. The longitude of the Observatory is, according to observations made by Lieut. Commander Green, U.S.N., in 1831, 7h. 36m. 41s 86 East of the meridian of the Royal Observatory, Greenwich. The geographical latitude of the Observatory is 22° 18' 12'.2 North according to Colonel Palmer's observations in 1882.

IF, says a late San Francisco Chronicle, the the port at all and junks go freely in and salary of a Governor of the Cameroons, the port, and lying on the direct route to, the the crater of an extinct volcano; and there at Eastern and European military and sporting press printed glowing accounts of the wonderful record made in a 100-shot match by Lieutenant Fred Kuhule at Petaluma in July last, when he made 460 points out of a possible 500, what will they say of the extraordinary record made by Sergeant Howard Carr of the non-commissioned staff of the Fifth Infantry Battalion, who, in a 100-shot match at Shell Mound last Saturday, made 471 points out of a possible 600, which is without doubt the greatest. score ever made in the world with a military rifle? The match was between Sergeant Howard Carr, and Colonel Sam Beaver for a purse; 100 shots at 200 yards, military rifles, six pounds pull of trigger, open sights, off hand. Sergeant Carr used a Sharpe-Buchard rifle, sixty-six grains of 9 powder and a 465-grain bullet. Colonel Beaver fired his new Hotchkiss, The champion score, which all good and true 9 riflemen should cut out and paste in their hats, is as follows:

SERGEANT HOWARD CARE.

second string. Carr made eleven successive 223 bull's-eyes. Sergeant Carr put his 100 224 bullets all within a space of a square foot, which could be covered by a man's head.

> The 'Glenavon' in Heavy Weather. The Glenavon, Captain R. A. Donaldson,

following is her report :-

arrived here in safety this morning. The

fine weather was experienced until about midnight of the 21st. a strong the N.E., and at 7.30; a.m., on the 22nd, the engines were reduced to halfspeed, the wind and sea increasing the whole !

ime. Shipped heavy seas fore and aft. breaking boats and washing away everything moveable on deck. This weather continued the whole of the 22nd and 23rd, the wind being N. by W., with a heavy and increas-N.E. and falling Barometer, and every aphead was put to the South, and kept so until noon of the 24th, when, the wind and sea moderating, the ship was put on her course again. The sea was still heavy and confused, the ship pitching and straining. throughout the 25th. At noon of the 26th passed a P. & O. steamer bound northwater. On the 27th the wind moderated to a fresh gale, with heavy head see. At 3 p.m. | She was rolling heavily, her rudder was augment troubles the lekin on several comgone and her decks, apparently cleared of modities has been trised. This is especially everything moveable. Signals were hoisted: to pass a line. I am unmanageable We immediately hoisted out and lowered the starboard life-boat, manned by the chief officer and crew, who, on getting alongside. asked if those on board the Elizabeth desired to leave the vessel. The Captain replied 'no,' as she was making no water, but he wished to be towed to any port;

was bound from Mantung to Hongkong with salt and had encountered two typhoons: one on the 14th, in Lat. 14 ° 17' N. Long. 115 ° 38' E., which carried away sails and fore topgallantmast; and another on the 19th, in Lat. 17° 6' N. Long. 117 ° 07' E. which carried away the main fore mast and mizen topmasts and jibboom, rudder, lifeboat, cook's galley and everything moveable on deck. Concluded to stand by her during the night, and, should the sea moderate, attempt to take her in tow the following Whilst trying to hoist the life-boat on board again, in consequence of the high sea and ship rolling heavily, she was stove in and forward tackle carried away. the boat with all gear attached being with the positon. completely lost. The weather during the night moderated slightly, but a heavy sea to German Government are very anxious t was still running, and on the morning of see what the French will do with regard to the 29th, at 6 a.m., lowered the starboard three German atcamers loaded with arms and ammunition, which must have reached side, and made several attempts until 2.30 p.m. to take her in tow, but these proved unsuccessful, when, having sent the Captain a letter informing him that we could

Marine Court (Before Captain H. C. Thomsett, R. N. Harbour Master). Monday, Dec. 1.

not stand by him any longer, and giving

him his position at noon, which was Lat.

ed on our way to Hongkong, and arrived

at 10 a.m. to-day, 1st December.

ABSAULT ON A COOK. Edward Nesmith Deady, seaman on board | the necessary measures. The companies of having assaulted Joseph B. Silva, cook | brought to 250. A brigade composed of a of the same ship. The cook, a native of regiment of Zouaves and one of Algerina Gos, alleged that about half-past five on sharpshooters and two battalions of Chas-Friday evening last, while he was in the sears will be despatched to Tonquin. The galley, one of the seamen came to him and hired transport Le Telémaque will leave asked for a plate. He refused to give the Marseilles on the 25th inst. for Toulon. plate, when the sailor called him a son of in order to embark the troops destined for a b h, and ran away. He followed, Tonquin. The transport Comorin will leave dian passing through the middle of the necessary manner, and fined him \$5, with Brest on the 20th instant, bound for Ton-

Formosa. (From our Correspondent.)

Takow, Nov. 24th. Since the 12th inst. there has been lite. rally nothing of interest. The blooksde must be a very ineffective one. Sometimes.

Chinese rumours report the French as victorious in the North. This morning firewood junk came in with two wounded and one dead Chinaman.

The Villars had fired a gatting at her an the dead man was shot in five places. Tho poor fellows were a dreadful sight. The junk in question had been three

times caught and warned by the French, while plying up and down the coast. To-day she tried to run and hence the

We hear the Fly is to be relieved by the Wanderer, and very sorry shall we be when

Hankow.

So much has already been said concern ing the Franco-Chinese difficulty that to say more would almost seem superflous but there is one ph so of the affair that appears to have quite escaped comment. I refer to the energetic preparations for war on the part of Chinese after the treaty was signed. Imperial Commissioners 5 4 5 5 5 5 5 49 were appointed to positions where none ever existed before : Fecruits and war matefortified. No less than five battalions were collected about this place and marched overland to Shantung; others have been collected in the northern districts of Honan for the same destination, and enlisting has been going on in this vicinity ever since. From numerous conversations I have held with Chinese I am satisfied that a belief in Franco's poverty is very wide-spread. Business of every kind is at a stand-still there is nothing doing compared with what should be at this season. Trade at the Left London 11th October, and arrived open ports carried on by foreign vessels on the 27th, and arrived in Penang on not suffered to any great extent; but tirely on a cash basis. It is the trade most. Moneyed mon in the interior are added, capable of accommodating any but gathering in their funds, and credit has in the largest ironclad affoat. To the cona great measure ceased to be given. It is struction of this dock the Admiralty has not only the difficulty with France; there is granted the promoters £25,000 in cash down a general feeling of insecurity pervading the and a loan of £20,000 at low interest. minds of all classes, and few dealers are | will not be completed till nearly the end of inclined to invest money in anything that 1885, and in the meantime the only dock they could not move readily or convert in- large enough for the Audacious is the to cash at once. The greater portion Aberdeen Dock, an inconvenient and danof the recruits now being collected about gerous graving dock in the south of the is ing confused sea, with lightning from the the country are thoroughly worthless, and would engage in a raid to plunder their the present moment at the mercy of the own countrymen as soon as they would At 5.45 p.m. on the latter day the ship's their country's enemies. This is well known Kong, the British Malta of the Chinese to the people, as is also the fact that there | seas, is practically defenceless against is no money to pay them, and there is much French attack. concern on this account felt by the better classes. Trouble is anticipated when these istence. There is one at the North Point lawless vagabonds are discharged without Fort, with four guns, two on the Kowloon and taking large quantities of water their pay. It has occurred more than once peninsula—one with three gans and the since the Taiping rebellion that soldiers other with four-and two forts on the have been disbanded with their pay largely | Stonecutters' Island, with three guns each. wards, the sea still running very high, and in arrears, and no money to be had until The chief defect of the defences of Hongthe decks being continually flooded with they had revolted and killed some of their Kong is that the armament is inefficient officers and threatened to loot the city of against ironclads. Altogether there Wuchang. Then there was a sufficient only seventeen guns, none of which are more amount forthcoming to quiet them. The than seven tons in weight, throwing a shot by E., heading N. W., under jury rig, with soldiers sent from here to Shan-hai Kuan seven inches in diameter. A 7-inch gun signals flying; only bowsprit, fore lower and at the time of the threatened trouble with fired point blank at 200 yards range will Russia were discharged in a purely Chinese | pierce eight inches of armour, but at the staysail set amidships; boats' sails set on | way. In lieu of the half year's pay due | range at which an action would be fought fore and mizen masts; and tarpaulin on them they were paid one month's wages in the approaches to Hongkong it could not starboard mizen rigging. Steered for her, and allowed to invest it in salt on which penetrate the armour of the weakest ironand at 4 p.m., in Lat. 15°00', Long. 114° 30' they more than doubled their money.

> NEWS BY THE FRENCH MAIL. The M. M. steamer Natal arrived her early yesterday morning with London mails armament, there are for the protection of up to the 24th October.

the case with the wood trade. At present

holders cannot realise money at half value.

as there are no buyers in the market .--

N-.C. D. News.

(London and China Express. Oct. 24). We hear that orders for various arms, ammunition. &c.. on account of the Chi nese are still being executed, and purchases have been made both in this country and on the Continent. Vice-Admiral Sir G. O. Willes, who re cently relinquished the command of the China squadrom, and formerly admira-

superintendent of Devenport Dockvard will, it is believed, succeed Admiral Sir W. The Berlin correspondent of the Post say

of the treaty ports this week. War no being declared. France will place herself in an awkward position if she captures steamers under German colours. We hear that some discussion has taken place on the question of the New Oriental Bank Corporation (Limited) taking over the whole liquidation of the late Oriental Bank, much in the way that the Agra Bank were the liquidators of the former bank of that

name.... The matter does not yet approach

a settlement, however, and so far what has

taken place has only been in the way of conversation. The Evenement states that the question of sending reinforcements to Tonquin is practically settled, and that the Ministers for War and Marine have taken

on board the non-commissioned officers of the Marine Infantry who are to complete the cadre of the Tonquin native auxiliary troops. The Vienne also left Brest bound for Cochin-China and Tonguin.

Teheran. October 25th. The Russian

of a flotilla there.

Paris, November 9th.—Cholera is increasing here. There have been 245 cases and 84 deaths since Friday (7th).

day the number recorded is 47.

STATIONS (By One who Knows the Facts.)

the station that is the most exposed, and

The first and the most dangerously exposed at the present moment is our great commercial emperium in the Far East-Hong kongs Hongkong, with the peninsula of Kowloon, is at once the Malta and Gibraltar of the China Sens. It is the last of the great series of stepping-atones by which our steamers make their way to the East. It is the base of our Chinese squadron. It contains the naval dockyard, where our ships rofit, the graving dock, where they are scraped and repaired; and the stores of coal without which they cannot move. It is no only the naval and military base of our operations in the Further East; it is a great commercial entrepot. In the spacious warerial were sent to Formosa and various other houses which, mile after mile, line the 5 5 4 4 5 5 5 4 4 4- 45 places, and at all points where it was thought northern shere of the island is stored 5 5 5 6 4 5 5 5 5 4 48 an attack might be made new forts were enormous wealth. It is the great mart of particularly noticeable on the banks of the with shipping, of which five million tons Yangtaze. New forts were built at Split Hill | enter every year. At its wharves are land and Hen Point, guns were mounted where ed millions of pounds' worth of British there had been none previously, and various | manufactured goods, which from that disother narrow reaches were more or less tributing centre are sent off to almost every market in China. Hongkong is a little England, the creation of English energy, enterprise, and industry. Forty years ago it was a barren rock, inhabited by a few squalid fisherfolk. To-day it has a population of 160,000, and a revenue of a quarter of a million a year. Of late years it has added sugar refining to its other industries and what with its banks, its manufactures, its newspaper, its tramway, now in course of construction, and its docks, it is one of the most thriving places in the world. Hong Kong is the coaling station of the at Port Said on the 25th Oct. Left Sucz through the agencies of foreign hongs has | Chinese squadron. Hundreds of thousands of tons of coal are constantly stored on the the 15th ult. Left Singapore on the native dealers are only buying to supply island and on the Kowloon peninsula. their immediate demands, and almost en- There also are the naval dockyards, and the three docks constructed by private encarried on in native craft that has suffered | terprise, to which a fifth is now being

land. All this accumulated wealth lies at French fleet now in Chinese waters. Hong-There are some earthwork forts in ex-

clads on the station. The French have E., stopped close to her, and she then proved With this they had to be content, their four ironclads in the Chinese seas. They to be the barque Elizabeth of Antwerp. officers keeping the balance. To further are the Bayard, with 91-inch armour and four 14-ton gaus, and three others with 6-inch armour, each carrying six 15-ton breechloading guns. The four ironclade lying a couple of miles from Victoria could with these twenty-two heavy guns destroy everything with their shells without being incommoded in the least by the fire of the 7-ton guns on the forts You might as well try awanshot on an alligator as 7-in. shot on a 10-in, armour-plated man-of-war. Besides the batteries, with their inefficient Hongkongthe Wivern, armoured turret-ship. two torpedo boats and some submarine torpedoes, which would be fished up with impunity by the Bayard, for there is no battery fire strong enough to deter her from lifting or exploding the mines at her leisure. So serious has the position at Hongkong been felt for years past that the authorities at the colony have made the most strenuous efforts to secure a heavier gun. After man unavailing attempts they succeeded at last in extracting four 10-inch guns from the War Office. They are on their way out, if, indeed, they have not already arrived. Nor will the people of Hongkong feel less secure when they see them mounted by knowing that their new big guns were stolen from the fortifications of Plymouth. In order to put the port in a thorough posture of defence, it is necessary, in the opinion of competent authorities, to construct two new forts, one at Belcher Bay and the other on Kollett Sandbank, to repair and strengthen the existing forts at Kowloon, Stonecutters' Island, and the island of Hongkong, and over and above everything else to arm the existing fortifications with heavy guns. The cost of these measures of precaution estimated at £400,000, exclusive of the cos of land. Towards this expenditure, it understood, the colony is willing to pay the interest and sinking fund on a loan of £100,000 and to provide the land, leaving £300,000 to be borne by the Imperial Govis taken at about £100,000, so that the colony claims that it is willing to bear its fair share of the cost of its defence. A more modest estimate of the cost of defending Hongkong is put at £100,000, about £40,-000 of which is needed for guns. At fened Table Bay would cost £120,000 an present Victoria could be knocked to expenditure that could properly be borne pieces in a few hours, the docks constructed with such care and at such expense are practically undefended, and the coal by which alone our gunboats can steam northward against the monsoon could be burned without the possibility of any effective resistance; the gunboats available for defence are slow tubs, several of whose guns are known by the Admiralty to be not trustworthy, and whose crews are necessari ly Chinese, owing to the fact that there are

The next station on the road from the further East after leaving Hongkong in the great trading station of Singapore, which lies 1,500 miles south of Hougkong and about 1,600 miles from Ceylon. The island by our military and navel station of Aden. which is about 27 miles long by 14 miles with a strip of territory recently purchased. Afghan Frontier Commissioners will leave wide, is separated from the Malay peninsula extending for about three miles inland. Bolin, November 9th. Prince Bismarck is about 140,000, of whom about three miles. The town is built on the eastern for two days at a time no Frenchman is off has saked for a supplementary credit for the hundred are Europeans. This being a free coast of the peninsula, in what is probably

no British sailors in reserve. Such is the

condition in which at this moment is

Hongkong, the terminus of the British

Empire in the Further East.

equipment of police, and the maintenance Chinese seas, its commercial importance is are two harbours, the outer facing the very considerable; and in 1882 its imports town, and protected by the island of Sirah; were valued at £25,000,000, and the and the inner, called Aden Back-bay, on number of ships entering and clearing the western side of the peninsula, which at more than eight thousand per annum. The all periods of the year admits vessels draw-Paris, November 12th. - Yesterday's steamers plying between Europe and China, ing less than 20 ft. From its admirable deaths here from cholera were 107, and to- Java and Australia, call at Singapore, commercial and military position Aden which is the great coaling station of the early became the great port of call for Malay Archipelago. It is not only a great trading vessels between Europe and Asia, trading station, but it commands the com- and it now forms one of the most important THE TRUTH ABOUT OUR COALING munications between the extreme East and links in the chain of British fortified coalthe Australian colonies, with which there is ing stations on the Eastern highway. The a rapidly developing trade. It is also the town, which is surrounded by precipitous The following is a statement of the pre- centre of government of the protected rocks that form an admirable natural sent condition of British coaling stations all States of the Malay peninsula, which defence, does a considerable trade in the over the world, beginning with Hongkong, have vast capabilities of trade. The products of Arabis coffee, gum, feathers, aggregate annual revenue of the Straits dyes, pearls, and ivory and in return one of the most important in the empire :- Settlements and the protected States receives silk and cotton goods, grain, and exceeds £800,000, and promises in the provisions. The harbour is visited annually course of a few years to double that sum. by 1,500 vessels. The value of the sea The whole of the shore stretching westward imports in 1882-3 was £2,014,580, and the from the town of Singapore is lined with exports aggregated £1,444,890. There is coal sheds. The Peninsular and Oriental also a land import trade to the value of have one large wharf and the Messageries £201,428, and the experts to the interior Maritimes have another, and it is estimated in 1882 3 amounted to £79,480. that there is never less than 300,000 tons | The defences at Aden are chiefly designed coal constantly stored at this station. to guard against attacks from the land side. This port is conveniently situated for three But Colonel Jervois reported in 1873 that, Australian, and Indian. It is, however, at the western part of the peninsula should present open to the attack of any passing be converted into a strong defensive posicruiser; its garrison consists of a battery tion, with a keep and three batteries. of Royal Artillery and a battalion of in Two of the Bombay marine vessels are fantry; but, with the exception of Fort stationed at Aden, and employed in mis-Canning on the island, which has no guns, cellaneous services. It is indispensable and two forts upon the islands to the south | that batteries should be thrown up to proof Western Entrance to New harbour and teet the anchorage off Steamer Point, to Pulo Brina, which are provided with four cover the coal-sheds and the naval stores, light guns, of no use in case of a naval at- and to guard the condensers. Adequately hostile cruiser. During the American it is estimated, of nearly £400,000. A Civil War the Alabama was in the habit of scheme that would place Aden out of serious repairing to Singapore, where she replenish- danger could be executed for £130,000; the ed her bunkers, during the time when she armament, including several 10-inch guns, was sweeping the Northern clippers off the would cost £35,000. The expense would seas. Plans for the fortification of Sing- be borne jointly by England and by India, apore have been drawn up and are now in Aden in the hands of a hostile Power would the possession of the War Office. In order of course close the Suez route altogether, to place the coal sheds of Singapore out of It is garrisoned from India, and held as an the danger of a strong attack by a foreign outpost of Bombay. cruiser, it is estimated that an expenditure of at least £400,000 would be necessary. According to one scheme of defence the two forts on the islands adjacent should be strengthened and armed with 10-inch guns, and two forts should be erected on the island opposite. These four forts would be sufficient to prevent the access of any vessel approaching with hostile intent. The town of Singapore it is proposed to protect by erecting a fort in the Bay; but this is not essential for the Majesty's ship Dryad was showing an protection of the coaling sheds. Of more mportance for that object is the fortificution of the heights. After Hongkong there is no station in the empire less defended or which stands more in need defence than Singapore, unless it may be the station at the Cape. The expenditure necessary to fortify Singapore should be borne half by the Imperial Government and half by the colony. As the protected 1879. It is one of our minor but very States have a large surplus revenue they could contribute to the cost, and at. Hongkong the Legislative Council is not indis posed to do its share, which, if the full value of the land is taken into account

> CAPE OF GOOD HOPE. Next in importance to the trading por of Hong Kong and Singapore, from the point of view of maritime warfare, is the Admiralty coaling station of Simon's Bay. The Cape of Good Hope, indeed, offers the only safe ports in which ships passing to and from China, India, and Australasia by way of the Atlantic and Indian oceans can safely and expeditously coal and refit in all weathers. Table Bay, the harbonir of Cape Town, has excellent docks, and a graving dock large enough to admit very arge vessels. The Holdicea (H,M, iro) screw corvette, of 4,140 tons), recently rafitted there. The other ports on the East Coast, Mossel Bay, Algoa Bay (Port Elizabeth), East London, and Port Natal are defenceless open roadsteads, affording no safe anchorage. The traffic to and from East and the Antipodes which now passes round the Cape would be enormously increased i anything were to happen to close the Suez Canal. It should not be forgotten that only last year an outbreak of cholera in Egypt prompted the Government to send the Indian reliefs round the Cape. Indeed, the Cape would be, as it was before, the only open and safe route to the British possessions in the Indian, Pacific, and South Atlantic Oceans. Very little has sen done to secure the two excellent harpours of Table Bay and Simon's Bay, so indispensable necessary to this ocean route. against attacks. There are usually one or two ships of war in Simons's Bay, but their armament is utterly inadequate for the defence of the station, which is also the headquarters of the West Coast of Africa squad. The Cape station being the only one in the South Atlantic where our men-ofwar can repair, coal, refit, and take shelter. its importance is so obviously great that ught not to be necessary to insist upon its war is invaluable to Great Britain as centre for her fleet, whence England, connected by cable, can protect her commerce, and hold the control over the seas | 100. in the whole Southern Hemisphere. defence of Simon's Bay is a matter of Imperial concern. To place it in tolerable Scale. security would cost about £100,000. could not be held as a Gibrallar disconnected from Cape Town, with whose destinier if is indiasolubly linked. At Table Bay the breakwater, dock, &c.,

amounts to 50 per cent, of the total outlay.

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cost some £100,000, the dock opened in 1882 cost £156,000; the number of vessels docked in that year was 926, registering 1,000,000 tons. The harbour works are still being extended. The trade of the OPIL Cape, which is chiefly carried on at Cape Town, amounts to about £13,000,000 per annum, the shipping entering South African ports numbering 2,300, with a tonnage of by the colony. Notwithstanding the importance of this colony, only connection Bank, Wire, with England is by steamer, which places the Cape within weeks of Plymouth. Natal submarine cable passes by Mozambique and Zanzibar through Suez, and would Credits. almost certainly be cut in case of war. The necessity of providing a direct sub- India, Wire, ... marine cable communication with England by the west coast has frequently been urged upon the Government by Sir Donald Currie and Captain J. R. Columb, but hitherto Gold Leaf 99 fine \$27.75 without success. It is hid as far as St. Sovereigns, Vincent, and there is some hope that it may be extended to the Cape. Then we shall have an alternative service of telegraphy, Taken at Mesers Fulconer & Ca.'s Premises, linking our West African possessions with St. Helens, Ascension, and Cape Colony.

The entrance to the Red Sea is guarded of Singspore forms part of the Straits which is in one sense the key of India. Settlements, which have been in the hands This includes the main peninsula and the of this country since 1,810. The island, opposits peninsula of Little Aden, together by a strait 5/4 mile wide. The population The total area is about seventy square

our naval stations—the Chinese, in anticipation of an attack on the harbour, there are no means of keeping off a to fortify Aden will involve an expenditure,

> Midway between Africa and India lies the Malta of the Indian seas. Mauritius is: an island wrested from the French in the Napoleonic wars, and possesses the best harbour in the Indian Ocean: It was taken from the French after a hard fight, because from its fortified harbour the French launched privateers which played haves with our Indian trade. When the French were bombarding Tamatave, and her undaunted front in defence of British subjects, it was from Mauritius that Captain Johnstone drew the coal which kept his engines going. Whenever trouble occurs in South Africa or in India, it is always to Mauritius that the first call comes, and, scanty though her garrison may be, she spared troops to crush the Mutiny in 1857. and to defend Natal against the Zulus in important outposts. It has three dry docks. of a length varying from 300 to 368 feet, and its harbour is convenient for shelter and safety. The population of Mauritius, although little more than the size of an English county, is 360,000, who raise a revenue of £750,000, per annum. The trade of Mauritius is £6,000,000. The garrison at present numbers 400 men of all arms, and its defence is secured by two forts, which, however, are not to be relied upon against the attack of an ironclad. To place it in a a posture of defence would cost about £90,000.—Pall Mall Budget.

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